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FM AXEMBASSY SANA  
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AMEMBASSY MANAMA  
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SUBJECT: SHIP VISIT (USS DONALD BEARY) TO YEMEN ARAB REPUBLIC

1. ANNUAL VISIT OF COMIDEASTFOR VESSEL TO YEMENI PORT  
OF HODEIDA 12-14 OCTOBER OVERLAPPED WITH VISIT  
COMIDEASTFOR REARRADMIRAL WILLIAM CROWE TO SANA  
11-13 OCTOBER.

2. IN 11 OCTOBER CALLS IN SANA YAR CHIEF OF STAFF AND  
MEMBER OF FOUR MAN COMMAND COUNCIL AHMED AL-GHASHMI  
EMPHASIZED THAT U.S. VIESELS WELCOME IN YEMEN. HE ASKED  
SPECIFICALLY FOR MORE VISITS, MORE TIES OF U.S. MILITARY  
WITH YAR MILITARY. HE SAID WITH SMILE THAT IF  
MIDEASTFOR HAD TO DEPART BAHRAIN IT COULD RELOCATE IN  
HODEIDA AND, IN MORE SERIOUS VEIN, HE SAID HE AND  
YARG WANTED U.S. TO MAINTAIN MILITARY FORCE IN MIDDLE  
EAST AND GULF AREA. DURING SUBSEQUENT CALL PRIME MINISTER  
ABDAL AZIZ ALSO WELCOMED VISITS AND CALLED FOR INCREASED  
TIES BETWEEN U.S. AND YAR MILITARY.

3. VISIT TO HODEIDA BY AMBASSADOR AND ADMIRAL CROWE  
12 OCTOBER LED TO DISCUSSIONS WITH SMALL YARG NAVAL  
DETACHMENT, WHICH HAS JUST TAKEN DELIVERY OF THREE  
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104 FOOT U.S. MADE PATROL BOATS. COMMERCIAL SALE

WAS FUNDED BY UAE, BUT TRAINING COMPONENT OF SALE IS  
SHORTLY TO END WITHOUT NECESSARY COMPETENCE IN YAR  
RANKS IN MAINTENANCE, BOAT HANDLING. A FOLLOW-ON SALES  
CASE, ALSO FUNDED BY UAE, FOR EITHER MTT OR FURTHER  
PRIVATE TRAINING IS HIGHLY DESIRABLE  
PARTICULARLY SINCE SOVIETS HAVE MOVED LARGE REPAIR SHIP  
INTO HODEIDA TO CTOVFETELY OVERHAUL PATROL BOATS  
WHICH WERE PROVIDED UNDER PREVIOUS SOVIET MILITARY

AID PROGRAM. YAR MILITARY OFFICIALS HAVE REQUESTED  
USG TO SUGGEST TRAINING SCHEMES AND USE IS GOOD OFFICES IN  
UAE TO HELP. SEPTTEL WILL DISCUSS FURTHER.

4. POSSIBILITIES OF ORIENTATION CRUISES ON MIDEASTFOR  
VESSELS AND TRAINING THE YEMENIS NAVAL PERSONNEL IN U.S.  
ALSO RAISED BY YEMENI SIDE.

COMMENT: VISIT OF RANKING EGYPTIAN MILITARY DELEGATION AND  
SHORT VISIT OF ADMIRAL TO SANA PRECLUDED MEETING WITH  
YAR PRESIDENT HAMDI, BUT WARMTH OF HIS CLOSE COLLEAGUES  
GHASHMI AND PRIME MINISTER ABDAL AZIZ ABDAL GHANI LEFT  
NO DOUBT OF WELCOME OF MIDEASTFOR VISITS.  
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